CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, MAY 5TH, 1873.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,

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Present—His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Moffatt, McDonald, Cousins, Smyth, Leonard, McBride, Beattie, Starr, McPhail, Brown, Rapley, Shaw, Christie, Graydon, Cronyn, Williams, Egan and Partridge, sen.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed by the mayor.

The following communications were received :

From Mrs. Charlotte Sheppard, Elizabeth Cornish, Mrs. Fitzgibbon and James Brown, asking remission of taxes. Referred to committee on finance and assessment.

From W. D. Lyons, claiming $35.00 damages for breakage of his cab. Referred to Board of Works and finance.

From Marcus Gunn, complaining of ill-treatment. Referred to police commissioners.

From E. A. Taylor and others, for removal of cabstand. Referred to license committee.

From John Winnett and others, relative to street. Referred to the members of 5th Ward.

From Robert Pritchard and others, for watering Market Square. Referred to committee on fire, water and gas.

From Charles Hutchinson, Esq., relative to fee for prosecution at the police court.

From Judge of County Court, relative to Oxford Street. Referred to finance committee.

From George Holman, relative to taxes on Music Hall. Referred to finance committee.

From William Willis, relative to wood market. Referred to market committee.

Accounts of *Free Press* Printing Co., $88.24. Referred to printing and finance committee.

By-law regulating the wood market was read a first time.

Ald. Moffatt moved, seconded by Ald. Christie, that the by-law be referred to the market committee. Carried.

Ald. Cronyn submitted report of finance committee, as follows :

Your committee recommend payment of the following accounts :

Charles Chapman, bookbinding, $43.75 ; Siddons & Dawson, printing, $142.53 ; Stevens & Turner, gas fittings, City Hall, $75.00.

Your committee recommend that the sum of fifty dollars be paid to Messrs. Dawson & Laidlaw, in full of their claim for damages to horse and waggon at the approach to Blackfriars bridge.

The petition of Alex. Moorhead, asking remission of his taxes for 1872,—the committee having inquired into the circumstances of the case, recommend that the request be not granted.

The treasurer having reported to your committee that the market clerk was in arrears for three months,—under their directions the sureties have been notified, but the arrears have not yet been paid. The committee should, without delay, take the necessary steps to re-let, under the agreement between the lessee and the corporation, by advertising for tenders, giving until the fifteenth inst. for receipt of same.

Your committee submit the final report to them of the revisors of assessment :

We beg to report that we have carefully gone over the Rolls of all the Wards, and after consulting with the Assessors, and making such alteration as we deemed advisable, we consider the assessment to be an equitable one. The increase over last year placed on the several properties by the Assessors, have been carefully and uniformly carried out over the whole city. We furnish a complete statement prepared by Mr. Barnard, Assessment Clerk, showing the Assessment for last year, as compared with the present. Respectfully submitted.

(Signed) B. CRONYN, Chairman.